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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed for filing please find the following documents:

1. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application
2. Assignment and Recordation Form Cover Sheet
3. Check in the amount of \$170.00.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
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Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE
MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

In response to the communication of January 11, 2002, Applicants submit a Declaration/Power of Attorney for filing in this application, the required fee of \$130.00, and a copy of the Notice of Missing Parts.

Please associate the enclosed declaration with the application, grant any extensions of time required to enter this response, and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

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